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(d) the profit accrued to the stores during each of the said years; and

(e) the same particulars with regard to—

(i) the Triplicane Urban Co-operative Stores; and

(ii) Nellore Co-operative Stores?

THE HON. SRI K. CHANDRAMOULI :—" A statement[a] showing the particulars required is placed on the table of the House."

NOTE.—The varieties of commodities in respect of which the Co-operative Wholesale Stores have furnished particulars mainly relate to foodgrains. Besides foodgrains, the stores deal in several other varieties of commodities which range from 30 to 40 or even more varieties. Articles for which the Co-operative Wholesale Stores are unable to furnish variety-war particulars have been classified under a consolidated head ' other articles '.

Bifurcated courses in secondary schools.

* 78 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether the introduction of bifurcated courses in the secondary schools has been decided upon ;

(b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, the names of schools chosen and the courses of studies proposed to be introduced in each school ;

(c) whether the introduction of bifurcated courses is on a voluntary or compulsory basis ;

(d) whether the Government are aware that the necessary equipment and the teaching personnel are not available ;

(e) what steps the Government propose to take to secure the necessary equipment and the teaching personnel ;

(f) whether it is the intention of the Government not to introduce bifurcated courses unless the necessary facilities exist; and

(g) whether the Government will be pleased to place on the table of the House their full scheme for the introduction of bifurcated courses?

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—

" (a) Yes.

" (b) A list [b] showing the names of schools selected together with the course of studies to be introduced in each of those schools is laid on the table of the House.

" (c) It is on a voluntary basis.

[a] Printed as Appendix III on pages 175–186 infra.

[b] Printed as Appendix IV on pages 186–192 infra.

"(d) & (e) The Government are aware of the difficulties in getting the necessary equipment and personnel. A Special Officer called the Technical Educational Officer has been appointed to give personal attention and help these schools to get the necessary material and personnel.

"(f) Yes.

"(g) A copy of G.O. No. 1395, Education, dated the 29th May 1948, is placed on the table of the House."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—"Are the Government aware that if the system of bifurcated courses is to be successful a variety of subjects should be provided in schools, and may I know what steps Government are taking to make the scheme successful?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—"In a variety of schools a variety of subjects is provided, and it will be increased with further needs."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—"I see, Sir, in each school only one course is provided. I am asking why not have a variety of courses in each school?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—"That will be gradually done; it cannot be done immediately; it will be done with the availability of facility in each school; and ultimately we hope every school will become a multi-course school."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—"Sir, when pupils have only one course of study available in a school, are we not by this compelling pupils to take to that course even though they have no aptitude for that course?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—"No, Sir; there is no compulsion; it is open to them to take to it or not."

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—"May I know on what basis were these schools, were selected?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—"Notices were issued to the District Educational Officers asking them to select schools for this purpose bearing in mind the facilities available in each."

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—"May I know why several schools in far-off villages have been selected even for imparting instruction in Engineering? How can they make such a provision?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—"Because they promised they had got facilities to impart education in these courses of study."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—"Sir, if a boy does not want to take up any of the courses provided for in a particular school, can he continue to have his ordinary education in that school?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"Yes, Sir. It is so."

Military training in schools.

* 79 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have appointed a committee to consider the question of military training in schools and if so, what the findings of the committee are;

(*b*) whether the Government propose to give effect to the recommendations;

(*c*) whether the Government of India have directed the Provincial Government to give effect to the recommendations of the National Cadet Corps Committee;

(*d*) whether the recommendations of the Madras Committee and the Government of India Committee overlap; and

(*e*) what course the Government propose to follow?

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"(*a*) Yes. A summary * of the report is laid on the table of the House.

"(*b*), (*c*) & (*d*) This Government appointed a Committee to consider the question of giving military training in schools. In the meantime the Government of India took up the matter of implementing the recommendations made by the National Cadet Corps Committee. They have also passed a National Cadet Corps Act and recommended to the Provinces that they may organize National Cadet Corps—Junior and Senior Divisions. The Government accepted the recommendations of the Government of India in the matter to fall in line with the National Cadet Corps training.

"(*e*) The Government propose to adopt the scheme for the formation of the National Cadet Corps and to implement it by stages."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—"May I know what definite steps this Government propose to take to give effect to the recommendations of the Government of India?". 11-30 a.m.

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"The proposal is to train 2,000 senior cadets in the universities and 4,000 junior cadets in the high schools."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—"Is the training to be given in the schools all over the presidency or is it to be confined to the City only?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"It will be in the schools all over the presidency. But the actual schools have not yet been fixed. About colleges, the University has been addressed."

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* Printed as Appendix V on pages 193–196 infra.